

**Project Title** Saving for Us

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AFI Grant Amount \$1,000,000

Nonfederal Support \$1,000,000

**Project Period** September 2003 – September 2008

**Highlights** Upper Cumberland is offering 220 IDAs in homeownership,

microenterprise and post-secondary education. The match rate is \$2 to \$1, up to \$4,000 in participant savings over a 36 month period. In addition to core training, participants have access to employment support, childcare, transportation, crisis management, structured planning exercises, mentoring,

peer support, counseling, and credit repair.

**Target Population** Fourteen counties in middle Tennessee: Cannon, Clay,

Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Jackson, Macon, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Smith, Van Buren, Warren, and White.

**Grantee/Collaborative Description** Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency is a

Community Action Agency founded in 1971 to provide services in Southern Appalachia. Participant services under this project are provided through existing State-run One Stop Career Centers or agency county offices where low-income individuals are already being served. First Tennessee Bank waived account fees and is supporting financial education.